

Mr. M. SUBBIAH.—Why not try the experiment for some time?

Mr. P. H. KRISHNA RAO.—It is not desirable to do that.

Stone-work at Spring Heads of Certain Talapariges.

Q.—12. Mr. G. RAMIAH (Koratagere Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state whether petitions have not been made to Government requesting for the construction of stone-work at the spring heads of certain talapariges in Koratagere Taluk?

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Rajasevaprakashta B. T. Kesavaiah).—

Yes, in respect of some spring heads.

Mr. G. RAMIAH.—Have any petitions been received for similar work in respect of other talapariges?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Yes, we have received one from Kyasavara.

Mr. G. RAMIAH.—When was it received?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—I cannot say without notice.

Mr. G. RAMIAH.—Was any action taken thereon?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Yes, an estimate has been prepared and sent to the Deputy Commissioner.

Mr. G. RAMIAH.—Will necessary steps be taken to commence the work soon?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—The raiyats will have to carry out some preliminary work at the spring heads to facilitate the proper flow of the water. Usually the sides are allowed to be overgrown with rank vegetation which obstructs the flow of water. In the rainy season, the earthwork is washed off and rank vegetation takes the place of the bunds. It is the duty of the raiyats to remove such vegetation. As that is not done and silt accumulates, the spring heads do not often function properly.

Mr. G. RAMIAH.—Have the raiyats been called upon to do the work?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Yes, and the Deputy Commissioners have been instructed to insist on the work being done wherever the raiyats have not done it already.

Mr. G. RAMIAH.—After the raiyats have attended to their part of the work, will the Government undertake the stone-work in all cases?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—We shall consider such cases sympathetically.

Mr. G. RAMIAH.—What is the total extent of cultivated lands under talapariges?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Notice.

Mr. N. SONNAPPA.—In any case, when the Government are levying assessment, is it not their duty to provide facilities for irrigation?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—That is why I said that if the raiyats first attend to their part of the work, the Government would undertake theirs.

Mr. N. SONNAPPA.—I am sure the raiyats are not unwilling to do their part of the work. On the contrary, our grievance is that even where the raiyats' work has been done, the department has not taken up the further work.

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—If that is so, we shall consider the cases.

Mr. T. SHADAKSHARAPPA.—As regards stone-work at spring heads of talapariges, have any petitions been received from the Chitaldrug District?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—No.

Mr. T. SHADAKSHARAPPA.—When petitions are received, will they be considered?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Certainly.

Mr. T. SHADAKSHARAPPA.—Is there anything else to be done by the raiyats in addition to clearing rank vegetation?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—For the stone-work itself, they will have to give their contribution.

Mr. G. S. SUBBA RAO.—When the present Second Member of Council visited Madhugiri as Revenue Commissioner, the raiyats of Madhugiri and Guru Vaderahalli had presented a petition representing that the bund of the tank in the latter village should be

raised. Has any action been taken on that petition?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—The tour notes have been sent to the Deputy Commissioner for necessary action.

Mr. G. S. SUBBA RAO.—Will an estimate be got prepared early, and the work put on hand?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—When investigation is complete, further action can be taken.

Mr. J. ASWATHANARAYANA RAO.—Has the Government any objection to granting independent ownership to the raiyats if they undertake to do the stone-work themselves and keep the talapariges functioning properly?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—The question can be considered if, as a result of the stone-work they do, the interests of raiyats further down will not suffer and if the Public Works Department certifies to that effect.

Mr. G. S. SUBBA RAO.—Will the rules issued under the Land Revenue Code be amended to that effect?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—It is not necessary to amend the rules. If the raiyats come forward to do all the work and if other interests are not adversely affected thereby, we may examine the question.

Transfer of Certain Villages from Arsikere Taluk to Tiptur Taluk.

Q.—15. Messrs. **M. SIVABASAPPA** and **M. R. SIVAPPA** (Tiptur Taluk) and **C. BHASKARIAH** (Tiptur Municipality).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it has come to their notice that there is a question of transferring the villages of Mallapura, Kenkere, Nalamanhalli, Edavanahalli, Sannenahalli and Mallenahalli in Arsikere Taluk to Tiptur Taluk as they are nearer to this taluk;

(b) the distance from these villages to Arsikere;

(c) whether it has come to their notice that 16 villages of Tiptur Taluk are transferred to Turuvekere Taluk;

(d) whether there is any inconvenience in having the abovesaid villages of

Arsikere Taluk transferred to Tiptur Taluk;

(e) whether it does not facilitate the raiyats if the taluk is nearer; when is it convenient to transfer them; whether the transfer of these villages from one taluk to another entails any cost to Government; if so, how much?

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Rajasevaprakashta B. T. KesavaIengar).—

(a) A representation regarding this was made at the Representative Assembly Session of October 1937.

(b)—

1. Mallapura	...	18 miles
2. Kenkere	...	18 "
3. Nalamanhalli	...	16 "
4. Yedavanahalli	...	14 "
5. Sannenahalli	...	14 "
6. Mallenahalli	...	14 "

(c) Yes.

(d) and (e) It is reported that the present arrangement is not inconvenient to the raiyats.

Mr. M. SIVABASAPPA.—With reference to answer (b), is it not evident that many villages are nearer to Tiptur than to Arsikere?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—May be, but from the beginning they have been part of the Arsikere Taluk. Besides, the revenue officers have reported that there is no necessity at present for the transfer.

Mr. M. SIVABASAPPA.—What are their reasons for saying so?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—A distance of 14 or 18 miles is not much and so the change is not called for.

Mr. M. SIVABASAPPA.—What is the inconvenience in transferring at least the 7 villages which are within a radius of 8 miles of Tiptur?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—If that is accepted as sufficient reason for re-adjustment of jurisdiction, many more transfers may become necessary.

Mr. M. SIVABASAPPA.—Will the transfer of the villages in question result in any loss to Government?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—It is not a question of loss. No great change of jurisdiction should be effected unless